

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Kenji NISHI Group Art Unit: 2877

Application No.: 09/782,062 Examiner: K. Brown

Filed: February 14, 2001 Docket No.: 108601

For: EXPOSURE METHOD, EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND METHOD FOR

PRODUCING DEVICE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the September 18, 2003 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Tine, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.